

MINUTES

CITY OF MILPITAS RECYCLING AND SOURCE REDUCTION ADVISORY COMMISSION

Minutes: Regular meeting of Recycling and Source Reduction Advisory Commission
Meeting Date: October 27, 2015
Meeting Time: 6:00 p.m.
Meeting Place: Milpitas City Hall, Committee Meeting Room

I. ROLL Staff called the Milpitas Recycling and Source Reduction Advisory Commission to order at 6:02 p.m. Commissioners Gill, Salien, Arthur, Inamdar, Badesha, Chua and staff Leslie Stobbe and Elizabeth Koo were present.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE All

III. SEATING OF ALTERNATES Commissioner Chua as Alternate #1 was seated.

IV. MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes of the April 28, 2015 meeting.

M/S: Arthur/Gill

Ayes: All

V. PUBLIC FORUM

1. Evan Boyd, Republic's new general manager for Newby Island, introduced himself.
2. George Liu, Milpitas resident, spoke regarding:
 - a) Availability of smaller trash cans which could translate into lower costs.
 - b) The results of a personal survey to determine if residents would pay more to use another hauler if such an action would stop the landfill expansion.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

VII. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

Councilmember Barbadillo summarized the City Council's review and approval of RSRAC's 2015 Work Plan and noted as a follow-up that the Council approved the plastic bag ban.

VIII. AGENDA Motion to approve the agenda as submitted.

M/S: Arthur/Chua

Ayes: All

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Expanded Polystyrene Bag (EPS) Ban Discussion

Staff Stobbe, spoke briefly regarding the upcoming challenges regarding an EPS bag and noted that a draft work schedule would be provided at the next meeting. For the January 26 meeting, staff will provide electronic copies of the 2011 Expanded Polystyrene Food Service Take-Out Container Study, a matrix showing status of EPS bans in Santa Clara County, and summaries of judicial and legislative actions to date.

X. OLD BUSINESS

1. Election of Officers

Staff Koo reminded the commissioners that the next election for chair and vice-chair would be held at the first meeting in January. They were asked to consider possible candidates which could be nominated at that time.

2. Plastic Bag Ban Update

Staff Stobbe noted that staff has enacted a public outreach plan which includes notifying businesses about the upcoming plastic bag ban that becomes effective January 1, 2016. Outreach venues include the Milpitas Post, KMLP-15 and City website, and mailings to businesses with responses for request of “tent cards” to display at point of sale areas.

XI. STATUS OF DIVISION PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

XII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Solid Waste RFP Results

XIII. SCHEDULING OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2016 at 6:00PM. The meeting of October 27, 2015 was adjourned at 6:45PM.

M/S: Arthur/Gill

Ayes: All